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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7213 NOTE PREPARED: Feb 4, 2004
BILL NUMBER: SB 300 BILL AMENDED: Feb 3, 2004

SUBJECT: Sex Offender Registration.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Drozda

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill requires persons convicted of: (1) possession of child pornography having a prior conviction for possession of child pornography; or (2) murder; to register as sex offenders.

Effective Date: July 1, 2004.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) The Criminal Justice Institute maintains the sex offender registry. Requiring offenders convicted of murder or possessing child pornography to also register as sex offenders may affect the workload of the Criminal Justice Institute.

Eight persons were committed to the Department of Correction (DOC) for possession of child pornography in FY 2003, the first year that possession of child pornography was changed from a misdemeanor to a felony. (Prior to July 1, 2002, possession of child pornography was a Class A misdemeanor.)

The following table shows the number of offenders who have been committed to DOC for murder and who are scheduled to be released from DOC facilities during the next five fiscal years.

Fiscal Year	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	2007	2008	2009
Number of Offenders Committed for	2.4	26	<i>5</i> 1	<i>5</i> 0	40
Murder and Scheduled for Release	24	36	31	30	40

Explanation of State Revenues:

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Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Criminal Justice Institute.

Local Agencies Affected:

<u>Information Sources:</u> Department of Correction.

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